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TOWN OF OAKHAM

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OF THE TOWN OFFICIALS
OF THE
TOWN OF OAKHAM

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1924 TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

Town Clerk

EFFIE T. SWINDELL	Term expires 1927
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Selectmen

JOHN P. DAY	Term expires 1925
EARLE C. PARKER	Term expires 1926
CHARLES B. DANIELS	Term expires 1927

Assessors

WALTER A. WOODIS	Term expires 1925
CHARLES B. DANIELS	Term expires 1926
JOHN MORAN	Term expires 1927

Overseers of the Poor

WILLIAM H. PARKMAN	Term expires 1927
MORTON F. LINCOLN	Term expires 1926
APPLETON L. NEWTON	Term expires 1925

School Committee

SYLVESTER R. DEAN	Term expires 1927
MINNIE M. DAY	Term expires 1926
WALTER O. BABCOCK	Term expires 1925

Library Trustees

SARA E. BUTLER	Term expires 1926
FLORENCE E. BOTHWELL	Term expires 1927
WILLIAM A. NYE	Term expires 1925

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Cemetery Committee

JAMES P. FAIRBANK	Term expires 1926
JOHN W. DWELLY	Term expires 1927
EDWIN GREEN	Term expires 1925

ONE-YEAR TERMS

Tax Collector

EDMUND CODY

Treasurer

EFFIE T. SWINDELL

Tree Warden

WILLIAM A. NYE

Auditor

ORTON D. BUTLER

Fence Viewers

FRANK H. BOYD
W. WALLACE GRIMES
WILLIAM H. MACIA

Measurers of Lumber

GEORGE H. MORSE
SYLVESTER R. DEAN
WALTER A. WOODIS

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Measurers of Wood and Bark

CHARLES B. DANIELS
APPLETON L. NEWTON
GEORGE W. DEAN

Field Drivers

JOHN P. O'DONNELL
FRED A. LAPHAM
JOHN ROBINSON

Town Agent

FRANK S. CONANT

APPOINTED

Cattle Inspector

HENRY W. STONE

Meats and Provisions

HENRY W. STONE

Sealer of Weights and Measures

WALTER O. BABCOCK

Forest Fire Warden

CHARLES H. TROWBRIDGE

Superintendent of Gypsy Moth Extermination

PERCY F. WILBUR

TOWN OF OAKHAM

Constables

GEORGE H. MORSE
CHARLES B. DANIELS
FRANK L. CHEEVER
WALTER A. WOODIS
WILLIAM E. SWINDELL
SAMUEL BRUNO

Undertaker and Burial Agent

JAMES P. FAIRBANK

Janitor of Hall and Library

WILLIAM A. NYE

Dog Officer

SAMUEL BRUNO

School Superintendent

JAMES R. CHILDS

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Oakham, in
the County of Worcester,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Oakham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, known as "Memorial Hall," on Monday, the second day of February next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at all town meetings except for the election of State Officers, during the coming year.

Article 2. To hear the annual report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

Article 3. To choose one Town Clerk for three years, one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of Poor, one School Committee, one Library Trustee, one Cemetery Committee for three years, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Auditor, Tree Warden, six Constables, shall licenses be granted for the sale of non-intoxicating beverages in this town, all on one ballot. The polls will be opened at ten o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon.

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Article 4. To choose all necessary town officers and committees for the ensuing year, not required to be elected by ballot.

Article 5. To see what compensation the town will allow the Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector, Auditor and Constables for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what compensation the town will allow for men and teams in repairing highways and opening roads for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to bond their Treasurer and Collector and Town Clerk.

Article 8. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations for the same.

Article 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the relief of poor and needy soldiers, as required under Chapter 79, Section 18, of the Revised Laws.

Article 10. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current financial year, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of moneys as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, giving the note or notes of the town therefor, these notes to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 11. To see if the town will appoint some person as agent, to prosecute and defend all suits that may be brought for or against the town in the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see if the town will employ some person or persons to care for the Town Hall, Town Clock, and Library Building for the ensuing year.

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Article 13. To see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for the suppression of the browntail moth.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to insure its employees and make an appropriation for the same, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a certain sum of money as a reserve fund, to be used as an emergency or overdrafts.

Article 16. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a certain sum of money to have its valuation and taxes printed.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up three attested copies in public places in said town seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

CHAS. B. DANIELS,
JOHN P. DAY,
EARLE C. PARKER,

Selectmen of Oakham.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Vital Records of 1924

BIRTHS

- Jan. 2 Ruth Celia to Samuel N. and Eva (Cloutier) Bruno.
- Jan. 25 Paul Albert to Everest and Anna (Brodeur) Dufresne.
- Mar. 5 Hazel Mary to John P. and Mary (Myers) O'Donnell.
- Apr. 11 Howard Sylvester to Sylvester R. and Ethel (Babcock) Dean.
- June 28 Shirley to Francis A. and Bernice (Burnham) Sullivan.
- July 21 Rose Alma to Joseph and Alexina (Labonte) Rossi.
- July 22 Mabel Irene to Olive W. L. and Etta (Snow) Wilkins.
- Aug. 4 Stillborn.
- Aug. 8 Mildred to William H. and Rose (Roberts) Macia.
- Sept. 4 Illegitimate.
- Oct. 1 George Raymond to John R. and Myrtle (Wilder) Wrin.
- Nov. 16 Antonia Alzebita to William and Antonina (Rudute) Pryor.
- Nov. 16 Alfred Herman to Percy F. and Lila (Parkman) Wilbur.
- Oct. 1 In Holden, Dorothy Anna to Anthony and Millie (Stehlik) Bechan.
- Dec. 13 In Holden, Fred John to Fred John and Margaret (Buslowing) Bechan.

Total, 15

TOWN OF OAKHAM

MARRIAGES

Jan. 6	In Barre, John Raymond Wrin and Myrtle E. Wilder.
Jan. 27	In Brookfield, George F. Grimes and Gladys A. Walker.
May 3	In Oakham, Raymond B. Bemis and Helen L. Parkman.
June 18	In Gardner, Edwin E. Spittle and Zella G. Carpenter.
July 21	In North Brookfield, Melvin N. Hale and Bertha F. Hall.
Sept. 29	In North Brookfield, Ralph Tomulevich and Caroline Winsky.

Total, 6

DEATHS

		Y.	M.	D.
Jan. 9	In Everett, Thomas C. Baxter	49	2	17
Apr. 9	Josie P. Christofferson	70	5	21
Aug. 4	Stillborn.			
Sept. 5	Helen Goyette	0	0	1
Dec. 31	Lizzie P. Bushnell	74	10	21

Total, 5

BURIED IN TOWN

Clarinda Crawford Hunt, died in Brookline,			
Jan. 15	83	0	22
Ida Maria Wood, died in Boston, Dec. 11	66		
William C. Abbott, died in Somerville, Dec. 23	61	5	10

Total, 3

TOWN OF OAKHAM

DOGS LICENSED

29 Females at \$5.00	\$145 00	
12 Spayed Females at \$2.00	24 00	
76 Males at \$2.00	152 00	
<hr/>	<hr/>	\$321 00
117		

DIVISIONS OF FISHERIES AND GAME

57 Combination Licenses at \$2.00	\$114 00	
1 Combination Non-resident	10 00	
3 Alien Fishing at \$2.00	6 00	
24 Hunting and Trapping at \$1.50	36 00	
12 Fishing at \$1.00	12 00	
5 Minor Trappers at 25c	1 25	
<hr/>	<hr/>	\$179 25
102		

Respectfully submitted,

EFFIE T. SWINDELL,

Town Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT

From February 5, 1924, Ending December 31, 1924

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN

	Appropriation	Receipts	Expenditures
Balance by State Audit, February 5		\$3,182 13	
Bonding	42 00		49 00
Bridges	500 00		497 30
Cemeteries	110 00	a235 85	338 95
Dog Officer	15 00		15 10
Fire Department	200 00		192 84
Guideboards	100 00		78 90
Insuring Employees	80 00		149 41
Interest	50 00	b41 20	55 13
Library, Dog Fund	3 00	c301 39	521 25
Memorial Day	15 00		6 00
Miscellaneous	800 00	i133 79	788 47
Opening Roads	600 00		976 78
Overseers of Poor	500 00	d50 44	387 98

Roads, State \$3,375, Town	1,800	3,342 01	5,174 76
Schools	3,200 00	f5,588 56	9,202 62
Sealer of Weights and Measures	15 00	g10 17	25 00
Suppression of Gypsy Moth	400 00	h25 60	411 50
Tree Warden	25 00		
Town Officers	800 00		865 55
Community Park	1,000 00		1,000 00
Soldiers Relief	10 00		900 00
State Tax		509 76	
Taxes for 1922		2,596 52	
Taxes for 1923		7,905 64	
Taxes for 1924			
Commonwealth of Massachusetts			
Income Tax, 1922, 1923, 1924		142 00	
Corporation Taxes		99 97	
State Aid		216 00	210 00
National Bank Tax		13 06	
Soldiers' Exemption		4 15	
Military Aid		15 00	
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes		38 93	
War Bonus Surplus		330 88	
County Tax		732 00	
County Tax			732 00

Auditing		229 92
Repairing State Highway		139 60
General Fund, to Schools	640 00	
Worcester Bank & Trust Co.	506 70	
Balance Due General Fund	3,000 00	3,000 00
	86 86	
	<u>\$10,562 00</u>	<u>\$25,948 06</u>

RECEIPTS ITEMIZED

aPerpetual Care of Lots	\$145 35
Annual Care	90 50
	<u>\$235 85</u>
bInterest on Deposit	\$41 20
cIncome Alfred Parks Wright Fund	\$23 00
Refund on Book	50
	<u>\$23 50</u>
dRefund from Charlton Poor Farm Ass'n.	\$50 44
eState Highway Commission (\$32.99 due town	3,342 01
Commonwealth High School Tuition	\$1,146 00

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Commonwealth General Fund	640 00
Commonwealth School Superintendent	298 98
Commonwealth High School Transportation	982 30
Commonwealth Tuition of Children	30 53
Town of Rutland	72 00
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	\$5,588 56
From Walter O. Babcock	\$10 17
State Gypsy Moth Commission	\$25 60
Miscellaneous	\$15 75
Inspection of Animals	70 00
Rent of Memorial Hall	6 00
Licenses	13 48
Sale of Lumber	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Vocational Education	28 56
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	\$133 79
	\$2,429 55

Balance in Treasury

Expenditures are itemized in Selectmen's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

EFFIE T. SWINDELL.

TRUST FUNDS

LIBRARY

	Feb. 5, 1924	Expended	Amount to Date
Alfred Parks Wright Memorial Fund	\$552 15	\$23 00	\$553 74
B. P. Clark Legacy	1,122 44		1,177 05
J. H. O. Lovell Legacy	153 60		157 04
Forbes Memorial Fund	2,780 47		2,906 92

CEMETERY

Pine Grove Cemetery

	No.	Original Deposit	Donor	Amt. Recd. Feb. 5, '24	Amount Expended	Amount to Date
Adams, south half	77	\$25 00	Ann Adams	\$26 87		\$28 07
Allen, Washington and Jesse	19A	100 00	Jesse Allen	126 68	10 40	121 80
Allen, Lewis	52A	100 00	Heirs of Lewis Allen	125 79	3 00	128 41
Ayres, M. D.	62	100 00	Frank D. Ayres	104 01	3 00	*103 35
Briggs, George N.	41	100 00	G. N. Briggs Heirs	101 08	3 00	102 60
Clark, John P.	29A	100 00	Mary J. Clark	104 21	3 00	105 87

Fobes, F. N. & F. A.	2A	100 00	Charles A. Fobes	131 56	21 90	105 87
Fairbank, J. C.	61	100 00	M. T. F. Rugg	115 14	3 00	117 30
Green, Charles B.	15A	50 00	Flora A. Arnold	51 45		53 77
Gould, Rufus	37A	100 00	George H. Gould	226 07	3 00	233 27
Haskell, Lewis N.	51	100 00	Lewis N. Haskell	130 37	3 00	133 23
Hall & Nourse	8A	100 00	Hattie E. Prouty	106 63	3 00	108 41
Kimball, north half	32A	50 00	†Fannie Kimball			
Lincoln, Stephen and William	5A	50 00	William Lincoln and Clara Alden	224 01	3 00	*226 05
Lincoln, H. W.	17	100 00	H. W. Lincoln Heirs	100 00		104 15
Lincoln, Abner and Alonzo	58A	100 00	Grandchildren of Abner Lincoln	100 00		104 15
Maynard, Ezra and Artemus	22A	150 00	Caroline M. Maynard	249 05	3 00	255 75
Ross & Camber	51A	100 00	George M. Ross	108 94	3 00	110 80
Ripley, Jephthah	10A	25 00	Mrs. Sam'l Ripley	32 89	3 00	*29 89
Russell, W. W.	52	100 00	Heirs of W. W. and Helen F. Russell	100 00		104 15
Robinson, John, north half	13A	50 00	Ruth Robinson	51 95	3 00	51 23
Weeks & Elliot	17A	100 00	Weeks and Elliot	117 14	3 00	*116 77
Walker and Lovell	1	100 00	Lyman Walker	118 47	18 35	105 08
Stone, Alpheus	16A	100 00	Heirs of Chas. Hastings	105 25		*104 61

South Cemetery

Burt, Eli	31	100 00	Laura Burt	112 70	3 00	114 74
Dean, Edmund	68	100 00	Dan'l H. Dean	202 70	3 00	209 36
Dean, David R.	58	100 00	Walter R. Dean	101 18	3 45	102 75
Haskell, Loring	44	100 00	William Haskell	116 75	3 00	118 97
Holden, A. J.	55	50 00	A. J. Holden	52 09	3 00	51 39
Morse, Eliakim and Jasper	18	50 00	Alfred C. Morse	52 74	3 00	52 04
Reed, Dea. Cheney	50	100 00	Martha Macullar	225 30	3 00	*227 36
Reed, Silas	16	100 00	Sumner Reed	124 74	3 00	*124 53
Wright, Henry P.	54	100 00	Henry P. Wright	111 65	4 00	112 63
Holbrook and Morse	29	100 00	Henry E. Morse	114 60	3 90	115 81

Southwest Cemetery

Lovell, David and Lot (churchyard)	28	153 60	J. H. D. Lovell	157 42	4 35	157 04
Nickerson, A. B.	3X	100 00	Frank L. Nickerson	110 97	3 00	112 93
Prescho, W. Myrick	23	50 00	Jennie Trowbridge	50 58	3 00	*51 71
Spooner, Andrew	21	50 00	Mary E. Brown	65 78	3 00	*62 78
Maynard, Ed. P		10 00	Ed. P. Maynard	13 20		13 43

Green Hollow

Clifford, C. S.	8	50 00	C. S. Clifford	51 10		53 42
Crawford, Henry A.		125 00	H. A. Crawford	125 00		130 21
Fobes, William A.		100 00	William A. Fobes	122 10	4 00	123 55

Received in 1924			
Wilbur Lot	54	100 00	Myrtle (Wilbur) Abbot (Pine Grove Cemetery)
Cemetery on W. H. Parkman Farm		55 00	Descendants of James Boyd
Parker S. and D. Towne	54	100 00	Heirs of Sophronia Parker (South Cemetery)
Newcomb, Mrs. L. W.	32	75 00	Heirs of L. W. Newcomb (Pine Grove)
Robinson, James	76	75 00	Frances Robinson (South Cemetery)

*Interest credited only for one-half year.

†Amount included in Deacon Cheney Reed Fund.

MARY LINCOLN ALDEN FUND

Income of Fund	\$871 00
Interest on Income	94 87
Balance by State Audit	79 50
Dividends	262 50
	<u>\$1,307 87</u>
Expenditures	704 75
Balance on Hand	<u>\$603 12</u>

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

The Selectmen submit the following report for the financial year ending Dec. 31, 1924.

PAID TOWN OFFICERS

Town Clerk

Paid Effie T. Swindell	\$85 00
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Treasurer

Paid Effie T. Swindell	75 00
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Tax Collector

Paid Edmund Cody	\$85 00
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Selectmen

Paid John P. Day	\$100 00	
Earle C. Parker	75 00	
C. B. Daniels	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$250 00

Assessors

Paid W. A. Woodis	\$60 75	
C. B. Daniels	60 00	
John Moran	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$180 75

Auditor

Paid Orton Butler	\$50 00
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Ballot Clerk and Tellers

Paid Mrs. Edmund Cody	\$18 00	
Grace Parker	13 00	
Nellie Dean	10 00	
Leone Daniels	13 00	
Mrs. C. B. Daniels	8 00	
Edmund Cody	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$72 00

Registrar of Voters

Paid Effie T. Swindell	\$10 00	
John P. Day	6 00	
Sylvester Dean	2 00	
C. B. Daniels	6 00	
Earle Parker	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$28 00

Moderator

Paid C. H. Trowbridge	\$3 00
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Total for Town Officers	\$828 75
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Sealer of Weights and Measures

Paid Walter O. Babcock	\$25 00
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Dog Officer

Paid Samuel Bruno	\$15 00
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Overseers of Poor

Paid Support of Poor	\$387 98
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School Committee

Paid for Support of Schools	9202 62
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Superintendent of Streets	
Paid for Highways	\$5174 76

Library	
Paid for Support of Library	\$521 25

Cemetery Committee	
Paid for Support of Cemeteries	\$338 95

State Aid	
Paid State	\$210 00

Bonds for Town Officers	
Collector's Bond	\$30 00
Treasurer's Bond	\$12 00
Town Clerk's Bond	\$7 00

State and County Tax	
County Tax	\$732 00
State Tax	900 00
State Highway Tax	139 60
Auditing Books	229 92
	<hr/>
	\$2,001 52

Worcester Bank and Trust Co.	
Paid for Note	\$3,000 00

Interest	
Paid Interest on Note	\$55 13

Opening Roads	
Paid for Opening Roads	\$976 78

Insurance of Employees	
Paid Frank A. Smith & Son	\$149 41

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Fire Department	
Paid for Fighting Fires	\$192 84

Gypsy Moth	
Paid for the Suppression of Gypsy Moth	\$411 50

Wright Memorial Park	
Paid	\$1,000 00

Memorial Day	
Paid for Flags	\$6 00

Bridges	
Paid for Bridges	\$497 30

Guide Boards	
Paid for New Guide Boards	\$78 90

Miscellaneous	
Paid for Supplies, Passage, Ex- press and Telephoning	\$98 98
Dr. Douglass, Back Returns	3 75
C. B. Daniels, Zablousky Case	6 00
Barre Gazette, Printing	193 75
G. S. Butler, Supplies for Pub- lic Buildings	6 36
C. H. Barker & Son, Supplies	3 75
Theodore N. Wardell, Certify- ing Notes	4 00
William Nye, Care of Hall	134 00
William Nye, Care of Clock	35 00
Sam Bruno, Constable	5 00
W. A. Woodis, Constable	6 90
W. E. Swindell, Constable	6 50

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Fay Russell, Coldbrook, Side- walks and Fence	42 50	
W. F. Fullam, Lumber, Side- walks and Fence	48 68	
D. F. Howard & Son, Fencing for Cemetery	11 40	
Mechanics National Bank, De posit Vault	4 00	
C. H. Parker & Son, Supplies	1 68	
Worcester Industrial School, Walter Ross	42 84	
John P. Day, Sawing Wood	4 80	
F. S. Conant, Supplies	10 43	
C. B. Daniels, Wood	42 50	
C. B. Daniels, Sanding Road	3 00	
J. P. Fairbanks, Return of Deaths	1 00	
H. W. Stone, Inspector of Ani- mals	77 05	
H. W. Stone, Inspector of Barns	31 50	
	<hr/>	\$825 37

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1922

Dr.

Uncollected taxes for 1922	\$528 93	
Interest	39 34	
	<hr/>	\$568 27

Cr.

By treasurer's receipts	\$509 76	
Abatements	23 00	
	<hr/>	532 76
		<hr/>
		\$35 51

1923

Dr.

Uncollected taxes for 1923	\$3,719 94	
Interest	99 77	
	<hr/>	\$3,819 71

Cr.

By treasurer's receipts	\$2,596 52	
Abatements	50 70	
	<hr/>	2,647 22
		<hr/>
		\$1,172 49

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Taxes committed to me for collection, 1924

Dr.

State Tax	\$900 00	
County Tax	732 00	
State Highway Tax	139 60	
Auditing Account	229 92	
Gypsy Moth Tax	2 20	
Town Tax	10,562 00	
Overlayings	153 32	
Extra Poll Tax	2 00	
Interest	3 36	
	<hr/>	\$12,724 40

Cr.

By Treasurer's Receipts	\$7,905 64	
Received for Income Tax	1,146 70	
	<hr/>	9,052 34
		<hr/>
		\$3,672 06

Respectfully submitted,
EDMUND CODY,
Collector.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

PAYROLL

E. V. Newton	\$1,359 10
James Woodis	353 60
Frank Stone	286 40
Joseph Lucas	335 20
James Gaffney	744 00
George Edson	276 60
Fred Hicks	64 00
Ed Murray	17 20
Oscar Loring	96 20
Clifford Knight	4 20
Eldridge Lacount	102 60
Milton Bullard	3 20
William Pryor	6 40
Walter Dean	40 00
David Labonte	3 00
A. Yanesusas	113 00
Fred Parkman	54 00
William Parkman	4 80
C. C. Adams	4 80
Winthrop Boyd	16 00
L. E. Kitchen	4 40
John Day	15 00
Merrill A. Love	48 00
Walter R. May	30 00
	<hr/> \$3,981 70

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MATERIAL

New England Metal Culvert Co.	\$120 70	
E. O. Perry, work on tools	15 85	
E. O. Perry, repairs on scraper	15 00	
Coilette & Son, sharpening drills	6 60	
Geo. S. Butler, gas, oil, nails, grease	23 15	
Geo. S. Butler, new tools	28 21	
C. H. Parker & Son, nails	60	
Good Roads Mach. Co., parts for scraper	152 27	
Waite Hardware Co., new tools	17 44	
Texas Oil Co.	605 16	
E. V. Newton, repairs on scraper, tools and express	15 32	
W. R. Dean, stringers	4 86	
E. V. Newton, plank	8 70	
Charles Daniels, plank	14 40	
State blasting outfit, dynamite and caps	82 20	
	<hr/>	\$1,110 46

GRAVEL

George Jacques	\$5 80
Henry Bullard	5 00
M. F. Lincoln	60
C. C. Adams	23 60
P. O'Donnell	1 10
Nathan Fisk	6 50
George Morse	30
Robert Dwelly	80
William Gaffney	2 20
William Mann	1 60

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Eugene Sanders	6 40	
Sara Butler	5 30	
C. P. McClanathan	2 00	
S. M. Sargent, Jr.	90	
Arthur Spooner	7 30	
Frank Lupa	2 00	
William Pryor	6 30	
E. V. Newton	4 90	
	<hr/>	\$82 60
Highway Appropriations		\$5,175 00
Payroll	\$3,981 70	
Material	1,193 06	
	<hr/>	\$5,174 76
		<hr/>
Unexpended balance		24

GUIDEBOARDS

	Payroll	
E. V. Newton	\$32 25	
James Woodis	12 80	
James Gaffney	4 40	
	<hr/>	\$49 45
	Material	
Walter Fessenden, posts	\$25 00	
Charles Daniels, material	3 85	
George S. Butler, nails	60	
	<hr/>	\$29 45
Appropriation		\$100 00
Total expenditures		78 90
		<hr/>
Unexpended balance		\$21 10

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SPENCER ROAD BRIDGE

Payroll

E. V. Newton	51 20	
Frank Stone	16 00	
Oscar Loring	12 80	
William Sney	17 60	
Albert Hapgood	1 00	
James Gaffney	48 00	
Joseph Lucas	6 40	
	<hr/>	\$153 00

Material

New England Metal Culvert Co.	\$336 60	
Albert Hapgood, dynamite	25	
David Labonte, repair on tools	2 05	
	<hr/>	\$338 90

Appropriation	\$500 00
Total expenditures	497 30
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Unexpended balance	\$2 70

Respectfully submitted,
E. V. NEWTON,
Supt. of Highways.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR FOR 1924

Assessment	\$11 96	
Charlton Poor Farm Assn., board	235 27	
Paid out for aid charged to the Town of Spencer	82 00	
Travelling expenses	8 50	
Postage	25	
W. H. Parkman, services	30 00	
M. F. Lincoln	15 00	
A. Newton	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$387 98
Rebate on board		50 44
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		\$337 54

W. H. PARKMAN,
M. F. LINCOLN,
A. L. NEWTON,
Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF THE CHARLTON POOR FARM ASSO- CIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1924

Receipts

Milk	\$1957 25	
Eggs	22 90	
Stock	389 00	
Inmates board	4,685 26	
Boarders	848 43	
Assessment	760 10	
Miscellaneous	132 93	
1923 balance undivided	23 50	
		<hr/> \$8,819 37

Expenditures

C. M. Wheeler and wife	\$1,500 00
Inside labor	480 00
Outside labor	666 50
Miscellaneous	473 33
Groceries	1,101 11
Meat	880 19
Grain	794 79
Gasoline and oil	120 79
Clothing	171 68
Supplies	627 47
Tobacco	199 66
Telephone	47 86
Electricity	61 39
Blacksmithing	34 86
Medical attendance and drugs	34 15
Repairs	46 60

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Coal	497 85	
Machinery	266 85	
Lime and Fertilizer	289 85	
Rent and interest	674 04	
Pasturage	60 00	
	<hr/>	9,028 88
Balance against Association		<hr/> \$209 51

Received and Due for Board of Inmates

Ashburnham	\$374 72	
Boylston	445 46	
Brookfield	470 54	
Charlton	486 11	
East Brookfield	121 43	
Holden	430 04	
Millbury	657 52	
Leicester	645 95	
Oakham	235 27	
Rutland	235 27	
Sterling	235 27	
Westminster	387 68	
	<hr/>	\$4,685 26

Total number of weeks for inmates, 1,041 4-7 weeks; for boarders, 867 4-7 weeks. No inmates from Auburn, Hubbardston, Holland, Hardwick, Paxton and Princeton.

On December 1st Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler resigned as Warden and Matron on account of removing to Vermont. The resignation took effect January 1st, 1925, closing a successful seven years' administration of the farm. We were fortunate in being able to secure the

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services of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker, who had been at the Spencer Home Farm for several years. They are now in charge of the farm.

WILLIAM H. PARKMAN,
President.

LOUIS M. HANFF,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Charlton, Jan. 1, 1925.

FOBES MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Receipts

Town appropriation	\$300 00
Wright Memorial Fund	23 00
Dog Fund	277 89
Refunded from Gaylord Bros.	50
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	\$601 39

Expenditures

Magazines	\$23 00
New England News Co. (books)	13 76
Robert Briggs, carrying books 1923 and 1924	50 00
Gaylord Bros. book,	2 50
Geo. S. Butler, supplies	38
C. H. Parker, supplies	18 57
C. B. Daniels, wood	15 50
Haven & Carter Coal Co., coal	98 21
W. A. Nye, janitor and supplies	149 33
Grace Baxter, librarian	100 00
Ruth Morse, assistant	50 00
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	\$521 25

Respectfully submitted,
SARA E. BUTLER,
FLORENCE BOTHWELL,
WILLIAM A. NYE,
Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Fobes Memorial Library:

The circulation of books for 1924 has been very satisfactory, having more than doubled that of 1923.

New card holders to the number of thirty-five have been added to the list.

Circulation 1924	*6631
Circulation 1923	2927
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Increase	3704

*Includes books loaned to school at Covered Bridge.

	Accessions	
Books by gift		109
Books by purchase		24
Public Documents		4
		<hr/>
		137
Books lost		0
Books discarded		73
Total number of volumes Dec. 31, 1924		3,531
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1924	\$1 35	
Received for card and fines	9 67	
Received for old magazines	1 00	
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		\$12 02
Expense		
Library supplies	\$5 50	
Freight	3 30	
Postage and P. O. box	83	
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		9 63
		<hr/>
Balance on hand		\$2 39

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We wish to thank Messrs. Conant and Parker for telephone service.

Rev. Ira Pinney, Mrs. Pinney, Mr. Packard, Alfred Morse, the Grange, Christian Endeavor and Woman's National Farm and Garden for magazines given the reading room.

Also the following for gifts of books: Public Library Commission, Springfield Library, Mrs. Fannie Ayres, Mrs. Martha Wright, C. M. Packard, E. L. Haywood, K. and M. Krafve.

The State Certificate reading has been at the disposal of the schools from the fourth grade through the ninth. Thirty-one of the pupils have availed themselves of its opportunities. Before the close of the year two had finished their first test sheet and received their certificates.

Annie Winsky, Gr. 9.

Isabel Daniels, Gr. 4.

ADULT FICTION

After All
At the Sign of the Oldest House
Alice for Short
Alias the Lone Wolf
Bridge of Kisses
Branded
Best Man
Back to God's Country
Blue Wall
Beadsley's Christmas Party
Clue in the Air
Desert of Wheat
Dr. David
Danger
Dawn of the Morning

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Daughter of Anderson Crow
Enchanted Hearts
Eyes of the Blind
Fair Harbor
Flying U Ranch
Flying U's Last Stand
Golden Snare
Green Mirror
Girl in the Other Seat
Gold Trail
Goodly Fellowship
Girl at Big Loon Post
Gambler
Gunsight Pass
Humoresque
Her Father's Daughter
Hurring Fate and Geraldine
In the Hollow of Her Hand
Kim
Kit Musgrave's Luck
Lone Star Ranger
Lady Baltimore
Love in a Little Town
Last Straw
Lamp in the Desert
Lo! Michael
Mysterious Rider
Molly and I
Miss Pritchard's Wedding Trip
Meeting of the Elsinore
Martha by the Day
Marriage of Capt. Kettle
Man to Man
Man of the Forest
No. 13 Washington Square

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Oh! Mary Be Careful
O! You Tex
Patricia Brent, Spinster
Phoebe Dean
Rainbow Trail
Roof Tree
Return of Tarzan
Rules of the Game
Raspberry Jam
Rim o' the World
Riverman
Road to Understanding
Rustle of Silk
Rosa Mundi
River's End
Stirrup Latch
Six Seconds of Darkness
Secret of the Sea
Sky Pilot in No Man's Land
Son of the Otter
Sicily Ann
Stowaway
Spinner in the Sun
Swindles
Safety Curtain
Truth Dexter
The Professor and the Petticoat
Top of the World
To the Last Man
U. P. Trail
Unafraid
Up the Road with Sally
Valley of Silent Men
Vision Splendid
Within the Law

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Winds of Chance
White Man
When a Man Marries
When Pam Pipes
Zazoo Mystery
You Never Saw Such a Girl

ADULT NON-FICTION

First Biography of Calvin Coolidge
Afterwhiles
Diseases of Cattle
Diseases of Horses
Gates Ajar
Health at Home
Life and Letters of Walter C. Pgae, 2 Vols.
Longfellow Poem and Prose, 3 Vols.
Whittier's Poems

CHILDREN'S FICTION

About Harriet
Between the Lines in Belgium
Between the Lines in France
Being a Boy
Betty Leicester
Dandelion Cottage
Donald and Dorothy
Ceidi
Maid of Old Manhattan
Maid of Bunker Hill
Tangled Threads
Understood Betsey
What Katy Did
What Katy Did at School

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CHILDREN'S NON-FICTION

Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia, 8 Vols.
Viking Tales

In closing I wish to thank the board of trustees and all who have helped to make the past year's work so pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) GRACE E. BAXTER.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Receipts

Town—Support of Schools	\$3,200 00	
State return—School fund	2,427 75	
State return—High School tuition	1,146 00	
State return—School Superintendent	289 98	
State return—High School transportation	982 30	
State return—Income Tax, for general school purposes	640 00	
Rutland Tuition	72 00	
	30 53	
	<hr/>	\$8,788 56

Expenses

School Committee

Paid Sylvester R. Dean, services	\$10 00	
Walter O. Babcock, services	10 00	
Minnie M. Day, services	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$45 00

Superintendent's Salary and Expense of Office

Paid James R. Childs, salary	\$385 02	
James R. Childs, travel expenses	56 34	
James R. Childs, telephone, 1924	3 05	
James R. Childs, postage and express	2 60	
Minnie M. Day, taking school census	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$452 01

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Teachers

Paid Miss Florence E. Bothwell	\$1,100 00	
Miss Ethel M. Braman	1,100 00	
Miss Ruth E. Butterfield	1,100 00	
Mrs. Ruth B. Dwelly	231 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,531 00

Supplies

Paid Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$24 52	
H. W. Carter Paper Co.	21 00	
Dowling School Supply Co.	8 70	
J. L. Hammett Co.	17 97	
Geo. S. Butler	5 69	
C. H. Parker & Son	1 76	
	<hr/>	\$79 64

Books

Paid Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$31 36	
Ginn & Co.	10 81	
	<hr/>	\$42 17

Care and Cleaning

Paid William A. Nye	\$233 20	
For Coldbrook School	42 00	
	<hr/>	\$275 20

Fuel

Paid Chas. B. Daniels, 23 cords @		
\$8 50	\$195 50	
Walter R. Dean, 4½ cords @		
\$8.50	38 25	
John P. Day, sawing wood	10 50	
Chas. B. Daniels, sawing wood	8 50	

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Edson Hapgood, sawing wood	5 10	
Walter O. Babcock, putting in wood	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$260 85

Repairs

Paid Walter O. Babcock, repairing flagpole	\$4 25	
Frank Cheever, repairing lock on door	1 50	
J. R. Childs, jacket for Coldbrook stove	8 50	
John P. Day, moving desks	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$17 25

Promotion of Health

Paid Dr. E. S. Douglass, school physician	\$25 00	
Ruth Douglass, services as school nurse	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$50 00

Grade Transportation

Paid John O'Donnell	\$576 00	
Morton Lincoln	504 00	
Eldridge LaCount	248 00	
Nathan Fiske	720 00	
Peter Yablousky	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,066 00

High School Transportation

Paid Clifford R. Knight	\$214 80
Walter J. Bruce	54 60

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Oliver O. Wilkins	75 60	
Benjamin Atwood	51 60	
O. A. Carpenter	69 20	
William H. Parkman	152 00	
Patrick O'Donnell	77 60	
Edward J. Crawford	68 00	
J. C. Rutherford	196 80	
Joseph Potter	120 00	
Hazel Briggs	72 40	
Katherine Mullen	22 80	
John P. Day	42 40	
J. W. Knight	23 60	
F. A. Sullivan	23 60	
	<hr/>	\$1,265 00

High School Tuition		
Paid City of Worcester	\$112 50	
Town of North Brookfield	71 00	
Town of Whitinsville	110 00	
Town of Hardwick	500 00	
Town of Holden	100 00	
Town of Rutland	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,118 50
Total expenditures		<hr/> \$9,202 62

Respectfully submitted,
 SYLVESTER R. DEAN,
 WALTER O. BABCOCK,
 MINNIE M. DAY,
 School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., January 1, 1925.

To the School Committee of Oakham:

My seventh report as superintendent, and the twenty-fifth in the series since the formation of the present union, is presented herewith for your consideration. Tables of statistics similar to those given in former years will be found appended and will serve to indicate the changes and growth in the schools. During the year the possibility of a change in the present union was considered by the Department of Education but no action has been taken as yet. A re-grouping of towns in this vicinity was considered with a view to forming another district and simplifying the problems of travel.

At the annual meeting of the Joint Committee in May the time and salary of your superintendent received special consideration in view of the changes in school population. It was voted to assign to Oakham two-twentieths and to Paxton three-twentieths of the time and salary. This is the reverse of the former division and because Oakham has reduced the number of its regular teachers from five to three with practically no change in number of pupils enrolled, while Paxton has added another teacher to its regular list, taken up Music and Drawing with part-time teachers, and grown in enrolment from about 60 to over 100. Corresponding adjustments gave to Holden eleven-twentieths and to Rutland four-twentieths. These changes will be reflected in the reimbursements from the State. Two-thirds of the salary up to \$2,500 and of the travel expenses up to \$400

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comes back to the towns so that the net cost of the superintendent's salary will be for Holden \$70.25 per month, Oakham \$12.77, Paxton \$19.16 and for Rutland \$25.56. Telephone, postage, stationery, costs of taking the census, of services of attendance officer, and printing are also charged under the head of superintendent, and these items with the allowance for travel expenses make up the figures in the annual report.

It is a pleasure to report that we have kept the same splendid corps of teachers, a record very few towns can equal. Although Oakham has responded with fine loyalty to the calls for more money for her schools, I note from the financial reports that she has not increased her appropriation for three years, while the State reimbursements have been increasing. I would recommend especially then, that we provide in 1925 for an increase to be applied on salaries and toward the support of a full-time nurse as recommended by the State Board of Education and the Department of Public Health. The teachers have been very careful of all supplies and books and have trained the pupils in wise economy. Our bill for these items is far below that of many other towns. This loyal service and training should be recognized in every way possible. And we are immediately facing the demands for definite Health education in the schools. The examinations made by law by the School Physician are of little value unless followed up by home visits. I mentioned in some detail in my last report the duties of the nurse and I am convinced that we could in no other way get more for our money than by an investment of this sort. I am glad at this time to commend the work that has been done by both Dr. and Mrs. Douglass, but they may not be expected to do much on an allowance of \$25 per year each.

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The year has passed rapidly and real progress has been made. We cannot speak in too strong terms of praise of the work of the teachers. The change from nine to eight grades has been worked out with care and without injury to anyone. We have made several changes in textbooks along with the change in grading but without great expense. With four grades in each room at the Center the Primary room is relieved of one grade without adding to the number in the Grammar room. We have about 16 boys and girls in high school in other towns and maintaining the same general high standards of scholarship that have been set for them here.

Some excellent work is being done in the conduct of the so-called socialized recitation. Too often we find the teacher doing all the work—the talking and the thinking, but in the socialized recitation we are a co-operative group. The teacher talks less—the pupils more, but under her guidance. The aim is to create an atmosphere of purposeful activity and responsibility among the pupils. The spirit of democracy is that of individual efficiency and self-control and the socialized recitation makes the pupil a member of a working community accomplishing a definite task or project. It means careful planning on the part of the teacher but it develops among the pupils resourcefulness, careful thought, courtesy, the social instinct and self-confidence. I have been much pleased with the progress that has been made along these lines.

The problem of transportation is a difficult one but this is true in all towns situated like Oakham. It will probably be necessary to spend more on this item of the budget but State reimbursement will take care of a part of the increase. The number of pupils certainly does not justify opening any more schools at present, and it is

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doubtful if there will ever be enough children in the south and west parts of the town to make it pay. The consolidated school is far more efficient regardless of any reasonable difference in cost.

One of the slogans for American Education Week was "Visit your schools to-day." If more parents would do this, would become better acquainted with the teachers while at work and would study conditions under which teachers and pupils work, our schools would be better. Cooperation is better than criticism. One thing parents would observe if they visited our schools often would be teachers and pupils spoiling their eyes trying to study or read on dark days. Some way of lighting the school-rooms should be provided.

I would like to repeat my recommendation of last year regarding toilets for the boys at the Center, some playground apparatus at both schools and painting and fencing at Coldbrook. Several loads of gravel should be spread between the doors in front of the building at Coldbrook.

I want to thank you all for your loyalty and support and assure you of my desire to be of service in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES R. CHILDS,
Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1923-1924

Teacher	School	Training	Began Here	Total Mem.	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Att.	P. C. Att.
Florence E. Bothwell	Center Grammar	Jo. Brookfield	H. S. 1897	28	27	25	92
Ethel M. Braman	Center Primary	Northfield Sem'y	1907	37	33	29	88
Ruth E. Butterfield	Coldbrook	Worcester N. S.	1904	31	27	26	98
Ruth B. Dwelly	Music	Northampton	1909	—	—	—	—
				96	87	80	93

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REGISTRATION OF MINORS (Census)

April 1, 1924

Children in Oakham	Boys	Girls	Total
Between 5 and 7 years of age	6	7	13
Between 7 and 14 years of age	33	39	72
Between 14 and 16 years of age	14	2	16
Illiterate minors 16 to 21	0	0	0
	—	—	—
Totals	53	48	101

ENROLLMENT, FALL TERM 1924

Grade	I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.	Ttls.
Boys	7	6	4	6	1	2	6	10	42
Girls	8	3	3	7	3	8	5	6	43
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	15	9	7	13	4	10	11	16	85
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

PROMOTION BY GRADES, JUNE 1924

Grade	I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.	IX.	Ttls
Full pro.	7	9	14	3	9	10	6	14	5	77
On trial	3				2	3	1	1		10
Repeat		1			1		1			3
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	10	10	14	3	12	13	8	15	5	90

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AGE AND GRADING CHART

April 1, 1924

Age	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Totals
Grade											
I.	2	7			1						10
II.		5	3	2							10
III.		1	3	6	3						13
IV.				3	2						5
V.				2	2	5	1	1			11
VI.					3	7	1	2		1	14
VII.						3	5	1			9
VIII.							1	6	5	1	13
IX.								1	3	2	6
	2	13	6	13	11	15	8	11	8	4	91

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ROLL OF HONOR

Perfect attendance for FIVE YEARS, except as indicated:

Raymond Crawford (1)

Perfect attendance for ONE YEAR, except as indicated:

Roscoe Crawford	Albert Sullivan
Charles Dean (1)	Barbara Sullivan
Stephen Lincoln	Helen Sullivan
Kathryn Mullen	Herbert Sullivan
Vincent Mullen	Kenneth Wilkins
Frank Potter	Mildred Wilkins

Perfect attendance for two terms, except as indicated:

Norman Baxter ($\frac{1}{2}$)	Dorothy Reed (1)
Thais Beckwith (1)	Ethel Trumble (1)
Vivian Loring	

Perfect attendance for one term, except as indicated:

Barbara Bullard (1)	Esther LaCount (1)
Elizabeth Bullard (1)	William Myska (1)
Isabel Daniels (1)	Myrtle Reed (1)
John Day	Damie Winsky (1)
Frances Karp (1)	

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

Fall Term—Sept. 2, 1924, to Dec. 19, 1924—16 weeks.

Winter Term—Jan. 5, 1925, to March 13, 1925—10 weeks.

Spring Term—March 30, 1925, to June 5, 1925—10 weeks.

Fall Term—Sept. 8, 1925, to Dec. 18, 1925—15 weeks.

Winter Term—Jan. 4, 1926, to March 19, 1926—11 weeks.

Spring Term—April 5, 1926, to June 11, 1926—10 weeks.

Holidays

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, Labor Day, October 12, Thanksgiving Day and the day following.

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN AND
SCHOOL NURSE

South Barre, Mass., Dec. 28, 1924.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is the report of the pupils I have examined in the Oakham Schools:

Coldbrook Springs	
Cases of defective teeth	10
Cases of enlarged tonsils and adenoids	3
Cases of excessive wax in the ears	1
Pediculosis	2
Number of pupils examined	25
Number of pupils absent	0
Number of cards sent to the parents	14
One case of strabismus	
Centre School	
Cases of defective teeth	18
Cases of enlarged tonsils and adenoids	5
Cases of excessive wax in the ears	8
Pediculosis	9
Number of pupils examined	60
Number of pupils absent	2
Cards sent home to the parents	35

Respectfully submitted,

E. S. DOUGLASS, M. D.

South Barre, Mass., Dec. 28, 1924.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is my report as school nurse for the past year in Oakham Schools:

In January 1924 a visit was made at the Centre school and special tests given to a scholar, followed by several

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visits to the home. In September the school physician was assisted in the examination of the pupils. The pupils were weighed and measured in November and those found to be underweight were requested to drink more milk to attempt to bring weight up to normal.

Mrs. Hanson, R. N. Executive Secretary of the Southern Worcester County Health Association, came to the schools on Nov. 12th and started the Modern Health Crusade Club. Each pupil from the fourth grade to the eighth grade was provided with a scorecard. Eleven daily health chores are to be recorded by the parents or teacher and the school with the highest percentage receives a Health Crusade Banner for their schoolroom.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH DOUGLASS.

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REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. J. R. Childs,
Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:

The ultimate object of this course is to give the pupil the power of appreciating the best in music. This is gained through ear training, voice culture, sight reading and learning of songs and to render them understandingly.

It is very evident that the ability of the children to sing music at sight, with a pure tone and a true tonation is constantly increasing.

In music as in other subjects, a high standard for the mass is best obtained by educating the individual.

Two part singing is introduced by the singing of rounds. Throughout the grades the problems in time, tone and theory are studied and drilled upon.

If the music lessons have made the pupils more alert mentally, keener in observation, more appreciative of the beautiful, and have given that test of training, "the capability of attempting new subjects," we may justly feel that we have accomplished much for educational music in the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH B. DWELLY,

Supervisor of Music.

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined and approved all bills of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, Road Superintendent, Cemetery Committee, Fire Warden, Library Trustees, and accounts of Moth Superintendent and found them to be correct. I have also examined the accounts of the Treasurer and Tax Collector and found them to be correct.

ORTON O. BUTLER,

Auditor.

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LIST OF JURORS

George W. Dean, Treasurer
John O'Donnell, Farmer
E. J. Crawford, Salesman
Herman Dean, Laborer
Frank Cheever, Carpenter
Clarence Grimes, Farmer
W. E. Swindell, Farmer

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